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From: D. M. Charleson Jr.

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- 3 A railing was installed across the face of the sea wall.
- 4 A fence was installed, at a cost of \$2,939.70 which enclosed the yard area. Port Employees dug the holes for this fence by agreement with Cyclone Fence Co., the installers.
- 5 Several small buildings not needed in the new arrangement at the drydock were removed to an area near sub station "B"
- 6 Building 80, Dockmasters control house and a toilet building were painted.
- 7 The seams of the interior bulkheads of No. 1 and No. 2 pontoons of No. 2 drydock were caulked.
- 8 Stairways were repaired on No. 2 drydock.
- 9 The installation of lighting equipment on No. 2 drydock was completed.
- 10 Approximately 80 snag piling were removed from the drydock slip next to Way No. 4 The Launch "Callapooya" and the DW 10 diesel tractor were used to pull the piling.
- 11 General sweeping of the yard area, straightening up and cleaning up took place during the month and is continuing.
- 12 Launch "Callapooya" was lifted out on outfitting dock - replaced three rotten planks and painted hull.

The following dockings and undockings took place during the month:

<u>Docking Number</u>	<u>Date Docked</u>	<u>Names of Vessels</u>	<u>Date Undocked</u>	<u>Dock No.</u>
5367	(3/27)	USS LSM 118	4/9	1
5370-273	(3/31)	S/S William H. Wilmer	4/4	N
5371	4/2	S/S Java Mail	4/4	2
5372	4/4	S/S Volunteer State	4/5	2
5373	4/6	Tug Robert Gray	4/9	1
5374	4/7	Barge PS 91	4/9	2
5375	4/8	Tug Leland James	4/9	2
5376	4/9	Barge #3	4/10	2
5377	4/9	Tug Yukon	4/10	2
5378	4/13	Tug Baker	4/28	1
5379	4/13	Tug J.S. Polhemus	4/17	1
5380-274	4/20	S/S Romulus	4/22	N
5381	4/22	S/S California	4/24	2
5382	4/23	Tug Columbia Queen	4/30	1
5383	4/25	S/S North Beacon	4/26	2
5384-275	4/28	Tug Yukon	4/29	N
5385	4/29	M/S Saipan		2
5386-276	4/29	S/S Sea Gale		N
5387	4/30	USS LST 1142		1

All drydocks were occupied at the end of month.

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Dredge "Clackamas"

Engine Room

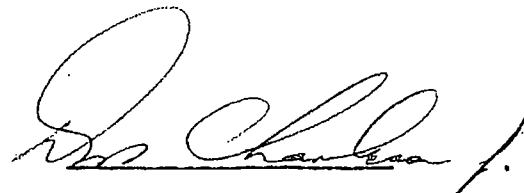
1. Built up cutter shaft, installed new cutter bearings and installed cutter.
2. Built up worn spots in pump casing, liners and impellers with hard facing welding rod.
3. Assembled pump.
4. Timed all engines.
5. Test run performed on all engines to check for gasket leaks etc.

Deck Department

1. Moved supplies and bridge crane from St. Johns dock to Swan Island using Launch "Callapooya" and No. 5 Barge. (this work for drydock plant)
2. Spot painted lower deck house, painted deck drain pipes and started to paint smokestack.
3. Top deck spotted with "laeotex" ( a tar like material) in attempt to stop leaks.
4. Dredge pipe line towed to upper end of Swan Island near dredging site and anchored until Dredge arrives.

Shore Crew

The work of installing the pipe line from a landing near Quaker Oats Co. to the initial discharge point below the Freightliner Terminal is almost finished.



Marine Supt.